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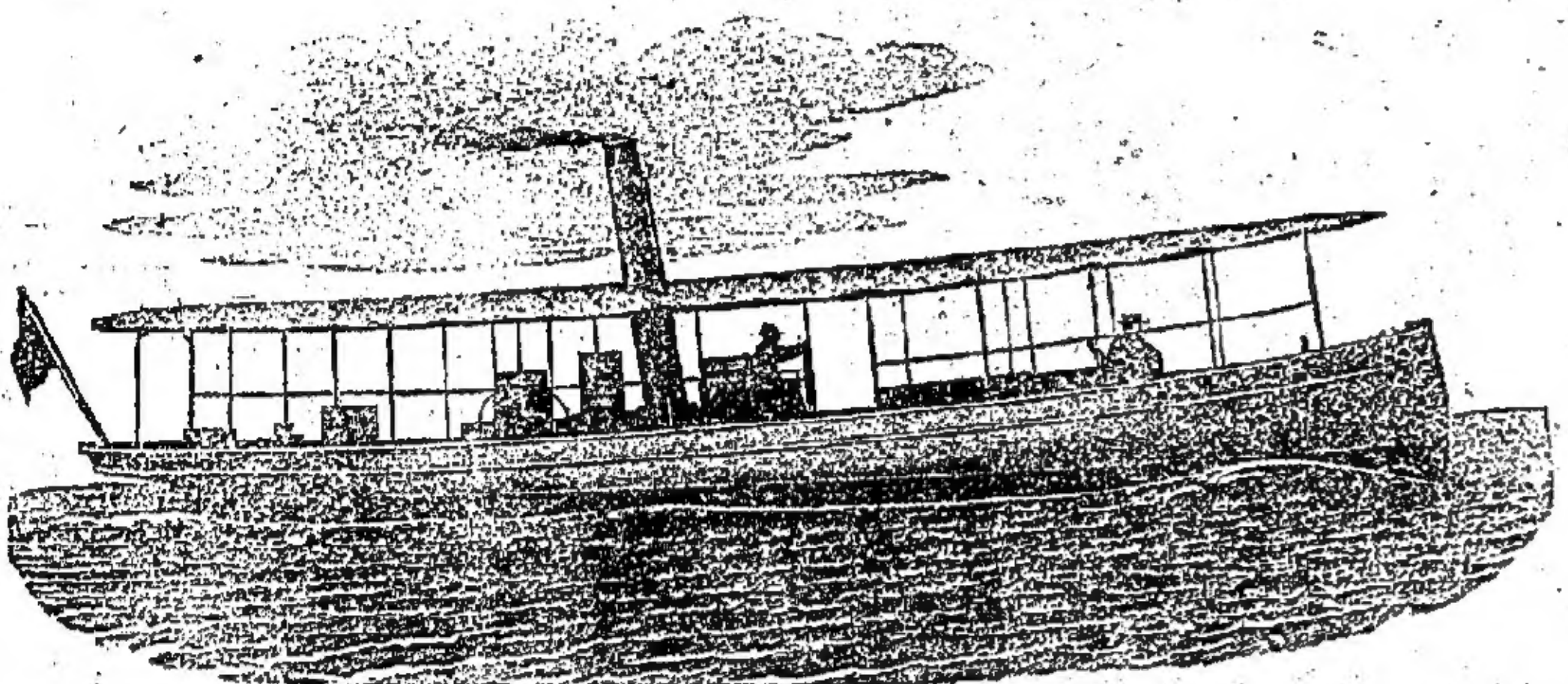
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Engineers and General Merchants,  
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**ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING WORKS,**  
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Light Draft Steamers, Launches, Tug Boats, Barges,  
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'GLENWOOD,'  
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DANCING LESSONS will be given by a  
well-known and experienced Teacher  
in the Colony. Terms moderate.  
Apply to  
'X X X X,'  
No. 11, D'Aguiar St.  
Hongkong, November 20, 1900. 2236

**THE HONGKONG COTTON SPIN-  
NING, WEAVING AND DYEING  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EX-  
TRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of the Company will be held at  
the Company's Offices, No. 4, Pedder Street,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the  
22nd December, 1900, at 12 o'clock Noon,  
when the following Resolution will be  
proposed. Should the Resolution be passed  
by the required Majority it will be sub-  
stituted for confirmation as a Special Re-  
solution to a second Extraordinary Meeting  
which will be subsequently convened.

**RESOLUTION.**  
That the following section be substituted  
for section 2 of Article XXV, namely:—

'2.—The General Managers may from  
time to time advance and lend for the  
purposes of the Company such moneys  
as they may think necessary or desir-  
able, at such rates of interest, and upon  
such terms as they may think fit, but  
so that the total amount for the time  
being so advanced and lent shall not at  
any one time exceed the Sum of Two  
Millions of Dollars. All advances and  
Loans which up to the date hereof have  
been made by the General Managers for  
the purposes of the Company are hereby  
confirmed to be, and shall be, part of  
and included in the said Sum of Two  
Millions of Dollars, and as security  
for the said Sum of Two Millions of  
Dollars and every part thereof the  
General Managers may from time to  
time Mortgage or Charge all or any or  
either or any part or parts of the Com-  
pany's Property, Lands, Stock in  
Trade, Machinery, Goods, Chattels  
and Effects.'

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, December 7, 1900. 2438

**PROFESSIONAL NOTICE.**  
DENTON E. PETERSON,  
DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY,  
2, VICTORIA TERRACE, TIENTSIN.

DR. PETERSON who is at present up  
North may be expected back this  
month.  
Hongkong, December 10, 1900. 1433

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was never in a better position to uphold their reputation as MERCHANTS, MANUFACTURERS OF SCIENTIFIC WORKMANSHIP. They Guarantee Satisfaction.

**JUST RECEIVED AND UNPACKED.**

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DEALER IN  
All Sorts of COPPER, BRASS, STEEL,  
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Suitable for  
SHIPS, ENGINEERS AND HOUSE BUILDERS.  
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A NURSERY GOVERNESS, to take  
Charge of Two Girls, ages 3 and 7.  
Apply, by Letter to Mrs. A. DENISON,  
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—Hongkong, December 10, 1900. 2464

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The Undertaken is now prepared to  
Supply CHRISTMAS CAKES of the  
best quality, weighing from 1 to 10 lbs.,  
ready on hand, and can be made to order  
from 10 to 40 lbs. Also MINCE-PIES,  
ASSORTED CAKES, &c., &c.  
DORABEE NOWROJEE,  
Proprietor,  
Hongkong Bakery,  
No. 31, Des Vaux Road.  
—Hongkong, December 10, 1900. 2465

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THE CELEBRATED BEER OF  
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QUARTS, \$2.30 per dozen.  
PINTS, \$1.75 do.

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Allen.—Order  
Fulwood, British ship, Capt. J. Thomas.  
Governance.  
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SINRA COMPORA, British ship, Captain  
Freest.—Order.

**AMERICAN CIGARETTES.**  
Yo. Bright,  
Flag Van Fair,  
Pak. 90s. Packets,  
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**AMERICAN TOBACCO.**  
Cameo,  
Pet. Curly Cut,  
Sweet Caporal,  
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**THE LONDON CIGARETTES.**  
Wild Woodbine,  
Three Castles,  
Pearl Diver.

**SON LOY CHAN,**  
No. 4, Victoria Street.  
—Hongkong, November 14, 1900. 2307

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PACKING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,  
BOILER COMPOSITION,  
ENGINE AND OTHER OILS,  
ALWAYS KEPT IN STOCK.  
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**CADBURY'S SELECTED CHOCOLATES**  
ENGLISH and FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

HUNTER and PALMER'S  
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**XMAS PUDDINGS!!!**

**TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS** in Great Variety.

GORGONZOLA, STILTON, and McLaren's CHEESE.  
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DRESSED DOLLS, MECHANICAL TOYS,  
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PHOTO ALBUMS and FRAMES,  
FANCY LEATHER GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

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ENGLISH and FOREIGN PATENT MEDICINES. Prescriptions carefully  
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SOMERVILLE'S 'EXPORT AND GLENDOUR' WHISKIES.  
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A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL, PROVIDED WITH EVERY COMFORT.  
NEWLY-FURNISHED ROOMS.  
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BEST QUALITY LIQUORS & PROVISIONS.

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SPECIAL LIQUEUR, 10 YEARS OLD  
HIGHLAND WHISKY.

**FERGUSON'S**  
**SPECIAL CREAM**  
BREADALBANE HIGHLAND WHISKY.

These are the finest productions of Scotland;  
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**THE CREME DE LA CREME OF**  
WHISKIES.  
PURE AND MILD.

Sole Importers,  
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OF CADBURY'S PURE CHOCOLATES AND  
CONFECTIONARY.

CAN BE SUPPLIED IN BULK OR FANCY BOXES.

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Chemists, Aerator Water Manufacturers, &c.  
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## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

**Portland Cement.**

In casks of 375 lbs net \$5.00 per cask, or Factory.  
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Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed  
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Having increased our Staff efficiently, we are prepared to receive additional Annual  
or other Tunings, and to guarantee satisfaction. Repairs can also now be undertaken  
with confidence, our new assistants being conversant with the needs of Pianos in  
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**CHAMPAGNES:**

WHITE SEAL (1893 VINTAGE).

CACHET IMPERIAL (Extra Dry; Gout American)

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## A MONTILLADO

**SHERRY,**  
\$12.00 per dozen.

EXCELLENT VALUE  
**H. PRICE & Co.,**  
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**DAKIN'S ANISEED & LICORICE COUGH BALSAM.**  
For the Relief of all CATARRHAL COMPLAINTS, such as COUGHS, COLDS,  
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Price 50 Cents and \$1.

**CRUICKSHANK'S COUGH BALSAM**  
A VALUABLE REMEDY FOR INFLUENZA, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, and all Diseases  
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SPARKLING MINERAL TABLE  
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FROM ALL FORMS OF ORGANIC CONTAMINATION,  
OF THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE,  
AND MIXES FREELY WITH WINES AND SPIRITS  
WITHOUT DESTROYING THEIR CHARACTER.

SOLE AGENTS  
**Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co.**  
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.  
15, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, December 4, 1900. 2042



## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Forness leaves for Swatow.

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 14.—Goods per *Wakana Maru* not cleared after this date subject to rent.SATURDAY, December 15.—Goods per *Bengal* not cleared at 4 p.m. subject to rent.MONDAY, December 17.—5.30 p.m.—Meeting of the *Perseverance* Lodge.

THURSDAY, December 20.—3 p.m.—Auction of all those very valuable pieces of ground centrally situated near the Harbour Office.

SATURDAY, December 22.—Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., at the Co.'s Office No. 4, Fadder Street.

MONDAY, December 24.—3 p.m.—Meeting of the *Panjin Mining Company, Ltd.*, at the Company's Office, Nos. 12 and 14, De Vaux Road.

## Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer &amp; Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, December 12, 1900.

BAROMETER—9 A.M.	30.22
Do—1 P.M.	30.13
Do—4 P.M.	30.10
Thermometer—9 A.M.	68
Do—1 P.M.	70
Do—4 P.M.	69
Do—(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	58
Do—Do—4 P.M.	61
Do—Maximum	70
Do—Minimum overnight	66

## Exchange.

HONGKONG, December 12, 1900.

On London—Bank, Wire	2/1 1/2
On demand	2/1 1/2
30 days sight	2/1 1/2
4 months sight	2/1 1/2
Documentary, 4 months sight	2/1 1/2
On Paris—On demand	2/3
On demand	2/3
On New York—On demand	11 1/2
Credit, 60 days sight	11 1/2
On Bombay—On demand	167
On demand	167 1/2
On Calcutta—On demand	137
On demand	137 1/2
On Singapore—On demand	1/2 per cent.
On Manila—On demand	par.
On Shanghai—On demand	7 1/2
30 days sight, (private paper)	7 1/2
On Yokohama—On demand	3 1/2 dis.
Gold Loan, 100 days (par)	\$49.00
Silver (par)	\$8.40
Silver (par)	\$20.12 1/2

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

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## PORT &amp; SHERRY.

## TO CONNOISSEURS.

Wines bottled by ourselves are SELECTED BY EXPERTS FROM THE FINEST VENTAGES, and are of unsurpassed quality. Having been established in Hongkong SIXTY YEARS our knowledge of local conditions has enabled us to maintain and improve the prime quality of our Wines.

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GEO. G. SANDEMAN, SONS &amp; CO.,

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Price Lists on application.

Sample bottles supplied of wholesale rates.

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A. S. WATSON &amp; Co., Limited.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

## MARRIAGE.

At St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, on 12th December, 1900, by Rev. R. F. Colbold, M.A., George Morrison, Hanston, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), Second Son of George Alfred Hanston, of Wentworth House, Harrogate, to MABEL ELIZABETH HANSTON, daughter of Edward F. Buttemer Hanston, of 24 Trebort Road, South Kensington.

## DEATHS.

On the 6th December, at 6, Chaiwong Road, Shanghai, of diphtheria, ISABELLA S. FERRIER, the beloved daughter of James Ferrier, aged 18 years.

On the 7th December, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, JOHN N. MINAR, of San Francisco, U.S.A., aged 35 years.

For the publication of this notice commenced at 6.00 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1900.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Notes by the Way.

The British troops at Shanghai do not now wear sidearms when off duty.

General Dadds is making a tour of inspection in Tonkin, visiting all the principal military posts in the French Colony.

It has been decided that the depot of the 20th Punjab Infantry on service in China shall move from Delhi to Umballa, and not to Mian Mir.

The *N. C. Daily News* reprints from the *New York Tribune* a detailed description of the Legation Siege at Peking from the pen of the late Mr. W. E. Townsend.

Yesterday, a bricklayer fell from a house, which is in course of erection in Tsimshui Lane, and sustained such injuries as necessitated his removal to Hospital. His injuries are serious.

Hanston's Circus has been performing at Hongkong before royal princes. One evening, some thieves stole about a hundred tickets from the box office, and these were offered for sale on the street.

His Honour Yui, the present Shanghai Taoist, has received orders from H. E. Liu Kun-yi to remain at Shanghai until his successor Yuan Shih-huan, formerly Shanghai City Magistrate, arrives there next year.

The Ewas having challenged the Way-fong Golfers at Shanghai to a four-ball match, and it being rumored that the Customs intend to challenge the winners, the suggestion is made that a Hong Challenge Cup should be provided, with a yearly medal for the champions.

A number of European nurses, who cared for plague patients in the epidemics of 1894-5, were publicly decorated with the Town Hall, Bombay, on Tuesday, in the hall. Lady Northcote made the presentation of badges and diplomas.

The bestowal of a C.B. upon Captain Sir Edward Cliechester, R.N., is not likely to exhaust his rewards for the exceptional work he has performed as Chief Transport Officer in South Africa. It is expected that the Admiralty will still further recognize the administrative abilities of this bluff but popular shipper.

Mr. Ambrose, formerly of the British Customs Service, but now Foreign Adviser to the Siamese Customs Administration, arrived at Bangkok on the 25th November. H. R. H. Prince Dileka, who has been educated at the Charterhouse, travelled from England under the care of Mr. Ambrose.

Mr. N. Lazarus, the well-known optician, arrived by the German mail steamer *Prinzess Irene*, and may be consulted at his rooms at the establishment of Messrs. Houghton and Co., in Queen's Road. Mr. Lazarus is like the bird of passage, returning with elegant weather, but it is probable he may establish a permanent branch of his business in Hongkong.

The total reduction of the military forces through the war in South Africa stands at 12,700, made up as follows:—Deaths in South Africa, 553 officers and 10,145 men; missing and prisoners, seven officers and 632 men (these figures doubtless including a large number of men reported 'missing' who have subsequently rejoined, but whose return has not been notified); invalids sent home who have died, four officers and 268 men; invalids sent home who have left the Service as unfit, 1,030 men.

Ranji's eyesight is a matter of world-wide importance, so it is not astonishing to find the Home papers noting the fact that the right eye of the Indian prince and Prince of Cricketers has undergone a successful operation. It is rumored that Ranji is to have the freedom of Cambridge bestowed upon him. From this to honorary degrees for exceptional ability at cricket in football would seem a natural progression, but University administrators are ever more conservative than borough council officers, and Ranji, G. O. Smith and Noel Carr, in one respect, will pass unchallenged.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Suicide.

Last night, a Chinese passenger on board one of the ferry launches, crossing from Yantai to Hongkong, jumped into the water. He sank immediately; his body has not been recovered.

## Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherland Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Wong Yui Shui ..... \$50

Tung Wa Chuan ..... \$5

Ho Wai Chuan ..... \$5

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Racing News.

It is reported from the North that the Tien-tsin pony set has become the property of the line and silver stable, and will be sent to Hongkong for the coming race meeting.

## The Yellow Peril.

Baron Brandt, the well-known German writer on East Asiatic questions, endorses the views recently put forward by Sir Robert Hart. 'I may only add,' he says, 'to Sir Robert Hart's essay, that the danger of the recurrence of events similar to those in China last summer, which are still continuing, can be diminished, if not completely prevented, by the foreign Powers treating China with that regard which they would demand for themselves under similar circumstances.'

## The China Field Force.

Colonel Davis, Indian Medical Service, has been appointed principal medical officer of the China Field Force under Sir Alfred Gaselee. Colonel Brooke having been obliged to vacate his charge in consequence of ill-health. Colonel Davis is a distinguished officer who has been much to the fore of late years in connection with frontier campaigning, and added greatly to his reputation during the operations in 1897 and 1898, when he was employed with the Tish Field Force.

## The Chinese Court.

It is learnt on good authority (says the *N. C. Daily News*) that the Court is preparing to leave Hsinan, almost immediately, and it is impossible that its next stepping-stone will be Wuchang, where the Empress Dowager will place herself under the protection of H. E. Chang Chih-tung, the Emperor being possibly allowed to return to Peking. Enlightened Chinese assert that only the restoration of the Emperor to supreme power can really pacify China. 'If a peace is pitched up with the Empress Dowager, allowing her and her Manchou gang to resume the government, and Prince Tuan's son to be still recognized as heir apparent, there will be fresh outbreaks all over China, and many Chinese will cut off their queues and become Japanese subjects.'

## Captain Mortimer O'Sullivan.

Captain Mortimer O'Sullivan, who is probably as well known in Hongkong and South China as he is in Shanghai and the North, has just returned from the war, and has been 'doing' some of the London newspaper offices as a 'scared' veteran, dressed in the khaki uniform of the British Mounted Infantry. *The World* gives him a column—Captain Mortimer O'Sullivan, who has arrived in town from the front, where he saw considerable service with the British Mounted Infantry, is one of the best known members of the European community in China. He has gained admittance to the eighteen provincial capitals, and his semi-diplomatic mission to the anti-foreign provinces of Hunan attracted much attention three years ago.

## Maxim Guns for China.

Maxim gun detachments have been organized at Yochow for service in China with the one-pounder Vickers-Maxim guns. The officers and men selected for service with the gun referred to, pending embarkation, underwent instruction in the manipulation of the weapon. The detachment consists of five officers and 120 non-commissioned officers and men, Royal Artillery, who embarked at the Royal Albert Dock, London, on 27th Nov. and are due to arrive at Hongkong before Christmas.

## Missionaries in China.

At a recent dinner of the China Association in London, the Chairman (Sir T. Sutherland) made the following reference to the status of Missionaries in China:—One of the first things they must claim was some guarantee for the security of life in China, whether of the merchant, of officials, or of missionaries. The security depended entirely on the influence and the good-will of the Chinese Government, for the general disposition of the people was to be friendly and civil to foreigners and to trade with them freely. At the same time, he believed it would be incumbent upon the nations of Europe to resist in some degree the missionary policy which had been pursued in recent years. (Hear, hear.) He doubted whether it had been a wise step to allow hundreds of young, unmarried European women to live in the interior of China (cheers)—and he was perfectly certain it had been a most erroneous step for any European Power to demand for these missionaries claims for civil rank, for precedents of that kind were absolutely certain to give serious offence to the just prejudices of the Chinese people. (Cheers.)

Stearns' Wine of God Laver Oil, which presents all the virtues of God Laver Oil itself, in the form of a rich, white, in whose sparkling body one can detect no trace of the unpleasant pungent taste. It is obtained of all Chemists and Wholesale from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Shares List.

The following alterations in our share list are noted after the hour of correction:—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, \$24 1/2 prem.—\$830; Steamboat, \$33, sales and buyers; Wharf and Godown, \$83, buyers; Hongkong Land, \$180, sellers; New Panyong, \$4, sellers; and Green Island, \$80, sales.

## Piracy at Weihaiwei.

News from Weihaiwei (says the *N. C. Daily News*) that the naval people there have woken up to the existence of piracy in the neighbouring waters. H.M.S. *Plover* with Mr. Barton, the civil magistrate, went to Thornton Haven on Monday, the 26th ult., and returned on the 30th. She caught four pirate junks, and killed three and a crew of eleven of the pirates, releasing some seventy boats that had not dared to venture out to sea. The vessels in harbour at Weihaiwei on the 31st ult. were the *Boatwren*, *Dido*, *Plover*, and *Huiyung*. A daily patrol is expected to make its appearance shortly at Weihaiwei.

## Rugby Football.

The following team will represent the Football Club in the match against the Army at the Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon:—Back, Russell; three-quarters, Cox, McMurtrie (captain), Strong, and Chetwynd; halves, Williamson and Hawkins; forwards, Johnston, Hallifax, Bishop, Wilson, Sandford, Gibson, Stockwell, and Anderson. The match is sure to be interesting and exciting. It commences at 4 p.m.

The following will play for the Army:—Back, H. C. Bingley, R.E.; three-quarters, Wall, R.A., Tregear, V.H.C., Harman, R.A., and Grimlinton, R.A.; halves, Forth, R.A., and Storey, R.E.; forwards, Captain Loring, R.A., Lewis, R.A., Watson, R.A., Stockwell, R.W.F., Kitis, R.E., Clapham, R.A., Pannett, R.A., and another.

## Alleged Misrepresentation.

A Mr. H. Wilson has been committed for trial by the Police Magistrate at Shanghai on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences. On the 10th June last, he went to the Imperial Bank of China after banking hours, saw the manager (Mr. A. W. Mitchell), represented that he had obtained a situation in Corea under Mr. Pritchard Morgan, and that he would probably lose the situation if he did not get money to enable him to leave for Corea that night. As the accused was a man of good appearance, and as he represented that he had money advanced the money, but had since learned that the accused had no money with Mr. Morgan. Mr. Wilson is said to be a qualified engineer, and did actually apply for a situation in Corea from Mr. Evans, representative of Mr. Pritchard Morgan. The sum obtained was \$250.

## The Naval Honours for China.

*The Times*, commenting on the Naval Honours *Gazette* containing the rewards for special services in China, says:—The list of officers who are noted for early promotion when they possess the qualifying services or have passed the usual examinations include the names of Commander W. O. Boothby, who commanded the summer of the *Indomitable* in the Seymour expedition; Assistant-Engineer A. E. Corsey, of the *Albatross*, who distinguished himself in the same operations, and eight midshipmen. It is in the last-named respect alone, seeing that the rewards of the warlike officers and seamen are yet to come, that the *Gazette* seems to fall short in justice of that which was issued in connexion with South Africa. In the latter case all the midshipmen, to the number of 23 or so, who were under fire were noted for early promotion, whereas in regard to China only eight young officers have been selected for this honour. We believe that altogether 32 midshipmen were landed in China and came under fire, and why these gallant lads, at the opening of their careers and at a most impressionable age, should receive diverse treatment is not easy of explanation. Apparently the number has appealed the authorities, who, wishing to draw a line, have drawn it at those who are specially mentioned by the Commander-in-Chief. But Mr. Edward Seymour specifically says in his despatch on the subject of the expedition he personally commanded, 'I might with truth mention favourably all names of officers and men who distinguished themselves by their gallantry and devotion to duty, and there are probably others who deserve special mention fully as much as those he has named.' It is not as if these young officers were to be promoted at once, most of them have some qualifying service to perform, and all have to pass an examination. To omit their names now is almost to put a stigma upon them when their brethren in South Africa are accorded different treatment. Moreover, the honours list is admittedly below its proper and authorized number. In what better way can it be increased than by adding to it, as quickly as may be, the names of those who have distinguished themselves by their gallantry and devotion to duty, and there are probably others who deserve special mention fully as much as those he has named.' It is not as if these young officers were to be promoted at once, most of them have some qualifying service to perform, and all have to pass an examination. To omit their names now is almost to put a stigma upon them when their brethren in South Africa are accorded different treatment. Moreover, the honours list is admittedly below its proper and authorized number. In what better way can it be increased than by adding to it, as quickly as may be, the names of those who have distinguished themselves by their







